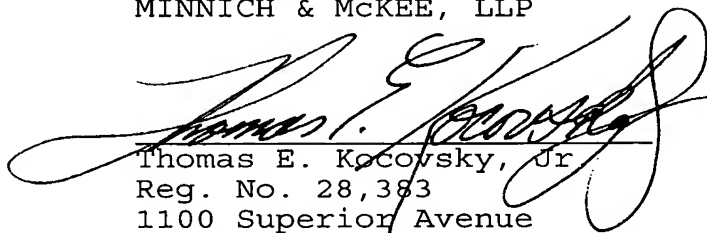


readily available to the Examiner. Upon request, the applicants would be pleased to provide copies of any or all of the cited references.

An early examination and allowance of claims 13-24 is earnestly solicited.

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